

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

After entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1, 3-7, 9-11, 13-19, 21-23, 25-27, 29, 30, 32-34, 36-41, 43, 45-53 are in the application, of which claims 1, 17, 34 and 47 are the independent claims. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 17, 34 and 47 are amended herein. Claims 12, 31 and 44 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. No claims are added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 12-13, 27, 29, 31, 32, 40, 44 and 45 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form (see page 8 of the Office Action).

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 103

Claims 1, 3-7, 9-11, 14, 15, 17-20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 30, 33, 34, 36-39, 41, 43 and 46-53 are rejected under 35 USC § 103, as being unpatentable over US Patent Publication No. 2002/059614 by Lipsanen et al. (hereinafter “Lipsanen”) in view of US Patent No. 7,283,817 by Salo et al. (hereinafter “Salo”). Reconsideration and withdrawal of these claim rejections are respectfully requested.

Independent claims 1, 17 and 34 are respectively amended to incorporate the limitations of aforementioned allowable claims 12, 31 and 44. Moreover, independent claim 47 is amended to incorporate the features as recited in the aforementioned allowable claims 12, 31 and 44. In light of the amendments of independent claims 1, 17, 34 and 47 to include allowable subject matter, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 17, 34 and 47 are in condition for allowance because the Examiner has stated (see page 8, third paragraph of the Office Action) that the cited art fails to disclose the limitations of “the control data includes data useful for de-interleaving, decrypting, decompressing, and decoding the multimedia stream” that are now recited in amended claims 1, 17, 34 and 47. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1, 17, 34 and 47.

The other claims currently under consideration in the application are dependent from their respective independent claims discussed above and therefore are believed to be allowable over the applied references for at least similar reasons. Because each dependent claim is deemed to define

an additional aspect of the invention, the individual consideration of each on its own merits is respectfully requested. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the dependent claims are respectfully requested.

The absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue, or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue, or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be other reasons that have not been expressed for patentability of any or all claims. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede, or actual concession of, any issue with regard to any claim, or to any cited art, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment or cancellation of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment or cancellation.

CONCLUSION

In light of the Amendments and Remarks herein, Applicant submits that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests a notice to this effect. Should the Examiner have any questions, please call the undersigned at the phone number listed below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 502624 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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